## AYERS LARGELY TO BLAME FOR LOSS

Pitches Smoothly, But Wild Throw in Eighth Gives Game to Mackmen.

#### PROBABLE LINE-UP.

GRIFFMEN.

MACKMEN. Murphy, rf. Walsh, lf. Strunk, cf. Lajoie, 2b. McInnis, 1b. Barry, ss. McConnell, 3b. McAvoy, c.

Moeller, rf. Foster, 3b. Milan, cf. Gandil, 1b. Rondeau, If. Morgan, 2b. Henry, c. Ainsmith, c. Williams, c. McBride, ss. Lapp, c. W. Davis, p. Engel, p. Boehling, p. Bressler, p. Bentley, p.

Game at 2:45 o'clock.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER. After begging for a week to get chance in the box Doc Avers appeared

on the hillock yesterday, pitched a remarkably smooth game and handed the victory to the Mackmen with a most powerful heave from the plate to a fat man sitting in the front row of the right field pavilion. The Mackmen won, 3 to 1. principally because of Doc's exhibition of hammer throwing. Doc was a mountaineer yesterday, all right, all right,

taineer yesterday, all right, all right, with ragged ears, etc.

Connle Mack sent Herb Pennock, the one-hit forkhander, to the rubber, and the things he did were never seen off the Bowery. Only once did the Griffmen succeed in collecting two bingles in one session. Usually they provided the Macks with opportunities for fine catches and sizzling stops. When it comes to hitting—well, the Griffmen are generous gentlemen. They don't want to run away with this 1915 pennant.

Ayers suffered not a bit in comparison with Pennock. The Hillsville mountaineer had everything and worried the enemy greatly. Indeed, they might have been playing yet, but for that tremendous fling in the eighth. And Ayers was to blame for that himself.

but the damage had been done.
In the eighth the Griffmen threatened for a moment, only to quit when things looked promising. Pennock walked Morgan and Henry. Ainsmith replaced Henry at first base, and then McBride, trying to bunt, popped to Lapp. Rippy Williams was a victim of a couple of well strike decisions, and then hit at a bad ball. McInnis went over to the bag and made a sensatingal stop of what looked a sure double. Barry tossed out Moeller, and it was all-over.

Oh, well, if you wish it, here it is:
Nat'l. ABHOAB, Ath'ics, ABHOAB Moeller, f. 4 2 1 0 0 Murphy, ff., 4 1 1 0 0 0 Foster, 2b. 4 0 2 0 Waish, if., 4 1 1 1 0 0 Minning, f. 4 3 0 0 McInnesio, to 11 1 0 Gandil, lb., 3 0 9 0 0 Lajole, 2b. 3 1 3 1 0 0 Morgan, 2b. 2 0 1 4 0 Barry, as... 4 1 2 6 0

The Mackmen hopped to the front in the first round. Murphy beat out a slow one to Foster. Welsh's out advanced him, but Strunk whiffed. Lajoie's single to left scored Murphy, and it is doubtful if another run would have been seen nine frames except for Ayers' own

Henry's slashing double opened the

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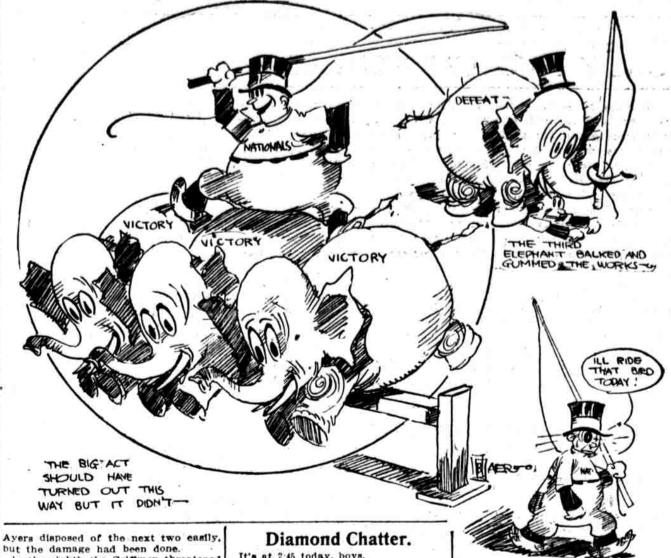
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Moeller, ft., 4 2 1 0 0 Murphy, ft., 4 1 0 0
Foster, 2b., 4 0 2 3 0 Waish, it., 4 1 4 1
Milan, cf... 4 0 3 0 0 Btrunk, cf., 3 0 1 1
Gandil, b., 3 0 9 0 0 Lajole, 2b., 3 1 3 1
Rondeau, if 3 1 8 0 0 McInnes, ib 4 112 0
Morgan, 2b, 2 0 1 4 0 Barry, ss... 4 1 2 6
Henry, c... 2 1 1 1 0 Kopf, 3b... 4 2 0 0
Alnsmith, c 0 0 0 0 0 Lapp. c..., 4 2 5 3
McBride ss 3 0 3 3 0 Pennock p. 4 0 0 3 Henry,c.... Ainsmith,c McBride,as yers, p....

\*Batted for Ayers in the eighth.

Henry's slashing double opened the third for the home boys. McBride popped to Lajole, and then, to the surprise of all, Doc Ayers sent a clean single to right center, scoring Henry. That was the only run of the day for the Grinmen.

The game was decided in the eighth. Walsh's single to center started things. Strunk laid down a bunt toward third base. Ayers went in, picked up the ball and, wow-away it went out to right field. Walsh went all the way around, Strunk reaching third. Lajole's fly to Rondeau brought Amos across.

Nationals ... 00 000 000-11
Runs-Henry, Murphy, Walsh, and Strunk. Earned runs-Nationals, 1; Athletics, 1. Left on bases-Nationals, 5; Athletics, 5. First base on balis-Off Ayers, 2; off Pennock, 4. Innings pitched—By Ayers, 8; by Shaw, 1. Hits made—Off Ayers, 2; off Shaw, 5. Struck out—By Ayers, 1; by Pennock, 1. Two-base hit—Henry. Sacrifice fly—Lajole Doubel plays—Strunk to McInnes; Walsh to Barry, and the control of the day for t

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It's at 2:45 today, boys.

Jimmy Walsh showed some speed and fine judgment when he went out and pulled down Gandil's drive in the sec-

Henri Rondeau had another good day in the fields. He had to crash into the pavilion to get McInnis' foul in the eighth, but he held the ball. George McBride's one-handed stop of McInnis' roller in the sixth was a pretty bit of work. George's fielding

The Mackmen's uniforms, while an improvement over those of the past, look like those given away with 500 soap coupons, the style "any boy can obtain with a little hustling."

If Connie Mack's pitchers are all as good as Shawkey, Wyckoff, and Pen-nock, the tall tactician ought not wor-ry overmuch about that part of his team. All three youngsters pitched good

The New York Yankees are on a wild rampage. They have now won four

No more baseball here till May 29. The Griffmen are not hitting enough to stay in a Sunday school league.

straight and largely by timely hitting. Bill Donovan is setting a pace that threatens to spoil the hopes of some ambitiouus teams this spring.

The Detroit Tigers seem to be getting good pitching. Covaleskie, Boland, Dubuc, and Dauss form the regular quartet, and they are doing well, while they are having wonderful support with the bat. The Tigers are simply murdering the ball.

THE RING MASTER

ISH'T DISCOURAGED

HOWEVER-

Dominick Mullaney got in bad with the fans yesterday by some of his de-cisions on balls and strikes. Mullaney is big enough to see whatever goes on in front of him. If his judgment is poor, that's another matter. The fans are convinced that he is a piece of cheese, as they told him yesterday.

Battery F Wins.

Battery F won the championship in the Fort Myer Post League when it defeated Troop L, 5 to 4.

#### Among the Minors.

Southern Association. Nashville, 7; Memphis, 2. Birmingham, 11; Mobile, 9. Little Rock, 11; Chattanooga, 7. New Orleans, 12; Atlanta, 1.

International League. Jersey City, 5; Rochester, 0. Montreal, 4; Newark, 1. Providence, 4; Buffalo, 1. Toronto, 5; Richmond, 0.

American Association. Cleveland, 6; Columbus, 3. Kansas City, 10; St. Faul, 7. Indianapolis, 8; Louisville, 5. Milwaukee, 10; Minneapolis, 3.

Virginia League. Suffolk, 4; Portsmouth, 2. Norfolk, 3; Petersburg, 2. Rocky Mount, 9; Newport News, 2.

Texas League. Shreveport, 2; Houston, 4; Waco, 4; San Antonio, 1. Fort Worth, 2; Beaumont, 0, Dallas, 4; Galveston, 1.

#### May Offer Cash Prize For Faster Fed Battles

CHICAGO, April 30 .- President Gilnore, of the Federal League, is considering the advisability of offering a ash prize each month to the members of the team which makes the best record in reducing the time of playing scheduled games.

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"Something must be done to speed up the play, as the public does not like to see unnecessary wrangling on the field and a slow dragging game." said President Gilmore. "I have talked to our umpires and field captains about more speed in the games uptil I am tired without the desired results, and I am thinking of offering a cash prize each month in the hope of bringing about the reform."



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